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## Office Action Summary

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### Period for Reply

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### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 28 March 2005.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-32 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-32 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

- ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)  
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- ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)  
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- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Response to Amendment***

This office action is in response to amendment filed on 03/28/05. Original application contained Claims 1-32. Applicant amended Claims 1, 6, 8, 14, 19, 25, 27, 30-31, and 32. The amendment filed on 03/28/05 have been entered and made of record. Therefore, presently pending claims are 1-32.

### ***Response to Arguments***

Applicant's arguments filed 03/28/05 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive because of following reasons.

Applicant argued that as amended, the claims recite that the software executes automatically independently of the boot state of the host computing device and Paul is directed to the booting of the host computing device. This is not found persuasive. The device disclosed by Paul is an independent computing device that provides the rudimentary control software for the host device (column 4 lines 41-54). The host device cannot boot without the device, therefore the automatic boot is independent of the boot state of the host computing device.

The applicant argued further that no teaching that the software on his configuration card 18 acts at any other time than the boot up of the host computing device. In response to applicant's argument that the references fail to show certain features of applicant's invention, it is noted that the features upon which applicant relies (i.e., teaching that the software on his configuration card 18 acts at any other time than the boot up of the host computing device) are not recited in the rejected claim(s). Although the claims are interpreted in light of the

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specification, limitations from the specification are not read into the claims. See *In re Van Geuns*, 988 F.2d 1181, 26 USPQ2d 1057 (Fed. Cir. 1993).

The examiner asserts that Paul does teach or suggest the subject matter broadly recited in independent Claims 1, 14, 19, and 27. Dependent Claims 2-13, 15-18, 20-26, and 28-32 are also rejected at least by virtue of their dependency on independent claims and by other reason set forth in this office action. Accordingly, rejections for claims 1-32 are respectfully maintained.

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1-11 and 13-32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Paul (5,954,808).

*Regarding claims 1, 19, and 27*, Paul teaches a portable device (configuration card 18) which has a body (see Figure 4B for the body of the configuration card 18), a memory (memory 20) containing software for executing on the host computing device (see col. 4, lines 14-40), an interface associated with the memory and adapted to facilitate interaction with the host computing device (communications interface 22; see col. 3, lines 58-65), and the software adapted to automatically execute on the host computing device in association with a computing session independently of a boot state of the host computing device (booting up a processor 24., col. 4, lines 41-66), and, in association with termination of the computing session (removing the

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configuration card), instruct the host computing device to remove records pertaining to the computing session from the host computing device to enhance privacy associated with the computing session (reset the disk and memory catches to erase usage history; col. 5. lines 59-67).

*In reference to claims 14*, Paul teaches a portable device (configuration card 18) which has a body (see Figure 4B for the body of the configuration card 18), a memory (memory 20) containing software for executing on the host computing device (see col. 4, lines 14-40), an interface associated with the memory and adapted to facilitate interaction with the host computing device (communications interface 22; see col. 3, lines 58-65), and the software adapted to automatically execute on the host computing device in association with a computing session (booting up a processor 24., col. 4, lines 46-50); and store select information associated with the computing session (configuration information and user preferences for the session; column 4 lines 39-54) in the memory instead (column 4 lines 15-29) of on tile host computing device, wherein the host computing device would normally store the select information on the host computing device when the portable device is not present (the Bios is normally on the computer and used to start up the computer and load the operating system; column 4 lines 35-40).

*In reference to claims 2, 17, 20, and 28*, wherein the software is further adapted to instruct the host-computing device to detect instructions from the user indicating the termination of the computing session (column 5 lines 65-67).

*In reference to claims 3, 18, 21, and 29*, wherein the software is further adapted to instruct the host-computing device to detect disassociation of the portable device from the host-computing device to indicate termination of the computing session (column 5 lines 65-67).

*In reference to claims 4 and 22*, wherein the software is adapted to instruct the host computing device to delete one or more of the group consisting of browsing histories, cookie preferences, favorites, and bookmarks from one or more of the group consisting of system memory, cache, and disk drives (reset the disk and memory catches to erase usage history; column 5 lines 59-67).

*In reference to claims 5 and 23*, wherein the software is further adapted to instruct the host computing device to automatically execute on the host computing device after the host computing device recognizes the presence of the portable device and instruct the host computing device to launch a program on the host computing device (column 5 lines 28-48).

*In reference to claims 6 and 24*, wherein the software is further adapted to instruct the host-computing device to customize the user interface for the program for the computing session based on the data (column 5 lines 49-53).

*In reference to claims 7, 25, and 30*, wherein the software is further adapted to provide an authentication routine to execute on the host-computing device, the authentication routine including receiving authentication indicia from a user via an interface on the host computing device and determining if the authentication indicia received from the user matches authentication indicia stored in the memory (column 5 lines 5-20).

*In reference to claims 8 and 26*, wherein the software is further adapted to provide an authentication routine to execute on the host-computing device, the authentication routine including receiving authentication indicia from the user via an interface on the host and determining if the authentication indicia received from the user matches authentication indicia stored in the memory (column 5 lines 5-20).

*In reference to claim 9*, wherein the software is adapted to emulate a file system resident on a memory device on the host computing device when interacting with the host computing device (column 4 lines 20-55).

*In reference to claim 10* wherein the software and data are adapted to appear as a file system to the host-computing device (column 4 lines 15-18).

*In reference to claim 11* wherein the interface is adapted to directly interface a port in the host-computing device (column 3 lines 59-65).

*In reference to claims 13 and 31*, Paul discloses a system wherein the software includes a plurality of keylets that are independently executable on the host-computing device to provide at least one function (column 5 lines 26-31).

*In reference to claim 15*, wherein the software is further adapted to instruct the host computing device to remove records pertaining to the computing session from the host computing device to enhance privacy associated with the computing session (reset the disk and memory catches to erase usage history; column 5 lines 59-67).

*In reference to claim 16*, wherein the software is further adapted to instruct the host computing device to remove the records pertaining to the computing session from the host computing device, in association with termination of the computing session (reset the disk and memory catches to erase usage history; column 5 lines 59-67).

*In reference to claim 32*, the method further comprising: executing the software on a host computing device; launching a program resident on the host computing device based on the software; accessing configuration information for the software stored on the portable memory

device; and customizing the configuration for the program on the host computing device based on the configuration information (column 4 lines 20-65).

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

**Claim 12** is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Paul in view of Scan Tech News article.

A system comprising the interface is adapted to provide a wireless interface with the host-computing device.

Although Paul discloses a system based on the PCMCIA technology, Paul does not disclose the interface with the host computing device comprising a wireless interface.

The article in the Scan Tech News discloses wireless local area networkks on a PC host through a PCMCIA slot (page S-24 column 1).

At the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to use a wireless PCMCIA card as disclosed in the article by Scan Tech News in the system of Paul. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to do this because wireless local area network provides a cost-efficient, peer to peer client/server communications capability.



*Conclusion*

Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than **SIX MONTHS** from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Paula W. Klimach whose telephone number is (571) 272-3854. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon to Thr 9:30 a.m to 5:30 p.m.

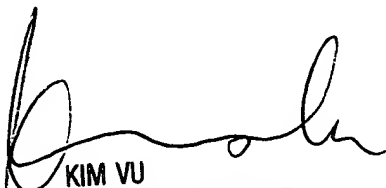
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kim Vu can be reached on (571) 272-3859. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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